Demand of Brick Kiln Owners in Delhi

936. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the Financial Express of 16th November, 1992 captioned 'Bureaucratic hurdles delay fty ash brick Project" in Delhi;

(b) if so, which are the other Ministries involved and what are the obstacles wWch have been put in the way of the Project; and

(c> what is the likely cost of the Project and how the demand of Brick Kiln owners of Delhi is going to be met by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) :
(a) Yes. Sir.

(b) and (c) DDA have reported that the prospective entrepreneurs have been requested to submit the details of the project for two fly ash brick plants in Raj Ghat. As per the project report submitted by the entrepreneurs, the cost of the project is estimated to be Rs. 14 crores for each plant. The decisions relating to utilisation of fly-ash for bricks are taken in interministerial meetings involving all concerned agencies in order to expedite the setting up of plants with the help of DDA and NTPC.

Civic Amenities in Slum Areas

937. SHRI SHIVAJIRAO GIRIDHAR PATIL : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the issue of providing civic amenities in Slums located on lands owned by the Central Government has been pending consideration in various Ministries for the last 10 to 12 years; and

(b) whether it is a fact that even after several meetings at various levels no decision has been taken in the matter, if so. what are the reasons therefor *'}*

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) :
(a) and (b) The present policy of the Central Government which was taken in the context of slums located on lands owned by various Central Government Departments, is that the State Government may provide at its own cost basic amenities on Central Government lands except in the case of slums in the vicinity of the runways at airports which cause bird menace, hutments within 30 ft. of railway tracks. Defence lands where vital installations are to be located and lands which are required by the land owning departments for their immediate use. The State Government is required to secure a no objection certificate from the concerned Central Department before taking up the works. As such, it is for the State Government to pursue the matter of issuance of no objection certificates with the concerned Central Department and each Department has to take a decision on the matter on a case by case basis.

Progress made in realisation of National Capital Region Concept

938. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR ;
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE :
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to slate :

(a) whether the NOR Planning Board at its meeting held on Monday September 14, 1992, reviewed the progress so far made in realisation of the concept of National Capital Region, noted that the concept had not been able to achieve its bade objectives; if so, what precise observations and suggestions were made therein;

(b) what progress has so far been made in the various projects comprising the NCR and the expenditure incurred so far; and

(c) the reasons for unsatisfactory pro gress and how far it was attributable to lack of funds ?